

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: MASAKAZU MURAKAMI ET AL.)
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Via EFS
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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed September 17, 2007, Applicant submits the following response.